## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

SEAN DECRANE

Plaintiff,

v.

EDWARD J. ECKART, et al.

Defendants.

Case No. 1:16-cv-02647

Judge Christopher A. Boyko

Magistrate Judge William H. Baughman, Jr.

PLAINTIFF SEAN DECRANE'S MOTION FOR TELEPHONIC STATUS CONFERENCE

Plaintiff respectfully requests that the Court set a telephonic status conference.

Trial in the matter is set for May 18, 2020 with the final pretrial scheduled for April 30, 2020. ECF #135. Appropriate trial preparation will involve a significant investment of time and resources in March and April.

The individual Defendants included a qualified-immunity argument in their second summary-judgment motion filed on November 11, 2019. ECF #139. If the Court denies their motion, Defendants may file an interlocutory appeal of the qualified-immunity denial. If that happens, or if the Court grants the summary-judgment motion, trial would not go forward as set. That means that the parties could prepare for trial over the coming weeks, only to have to re-prepare after an appellate interlude if Plaintiff prevails. Plaintiff seeks to avoid any duplication of effort.

To ensure that no unnecessary time or resources are expended preparing for a trial that may not go forward as set, Plaintiff respectfully requests that the Court convene a telephone conference to discuss case status.

Dated: February 26, 2020

## Respectfully submitted,

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